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Dear Professor Whitman:

Your letter to the Director concerning Professor Ioffe's book has been referred to me for response. We regret the oversight which prevented our responding earlier.

Your point about making publicly available within this country a profound indictment of the Soviet system is well taken. At the same time, however, this Agency is specifically prohibited from engaging in activities directed at, beneficially or otherwise, the American public. If the market for Professor Ioffe's volume is considered too specialized to be commercially feasible, perhaps a private institution interested in the study of comparative legal systems or democratic vs. totalitarian societies would be willing to undertake to publish his work. I am thinking, for example, of an entity specializing in international law, a private foundation, or a scholarly research center. The Library of Congress also might provide some suggestions for addressing this question.

Thank you for your inquiry and we wish Professor Ioffe success in his efforts.

Sincerely,



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